

## Abstract

This work is concerned with two different problems in harmonic analysis, one on the Heisenberg group and other on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , as described in the following two paragraphs respectively.

Let  $\mathbb{H}^n$  be the  $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional Heisenberg group, and let  $K$  be a compact subgroup of  $U(n)$ , such that  $(K, \mathbb{H}^n)$  is a Gelfand pair. Also assume that the  $K$ -action on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is polar. We prove a Hecke-Bochner identity associated to the Gelfand pair  $(K, \mathbb{H}^n)$ . For the special case  $K = U(n)$ , this was proved by Geller, giving a formula for the Weyl transform of a function  $f$  of the type  $f = Pg$ , where  $g$  is a radial function, and  $P$  a bigraded solid  $U(n)$ -harmonic polynomial. Using our general Hecke-Bochner identity we also characterize (under some conditions) joint eigenfunctions of all differential operators on  $\mathbb{H}^n$  that are invariant under the action of  $K$  and the left action of  $\mathbb{H}^n$ .

We consider convolution equations of the type  $f * T = g$ , where  $f, g \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $T$  is a compactly supported distribution. Under natural assumptions on the zero set of the Fourier transform of  $T$ , we show that  $f$  is compactly supported, provided  $g$  is.